MEAGER REPORTS OF DEATH AND DESTRUCTION IN THE SOUTH,

Portion of Cleburne County, Alabama. Said to Have Been Devastated and Many People Killed.

BUILDINGS

AND SOME OF THE INMATES DEAD AND DYING IN THE RUINS.

Arkansas and Mississippi Also Visited by Storm-Total Casualties Estimated at About Forty.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., March 18.-Reports from different points in Arkansas, Mississippi and Alabama indicate that in the storms which swept over these States today eighteen persons were killed outright and twenty-one injured, as follows: Alabama, 16 killed, 4 injured; Arkansas, killed, 7 injured; Mississippi, 1 killed, 10 injured. The property loss will run into the hundreds of thousands.

CHICAGO, March 18 .- The Times-Herald's Birmingham, Ala., special says: "A tornado struck the belt of country lying between Helfin and Edwardsville, Cleburne county, this afternoon and wrought terrific damage. Seven persons were killed, five of them in one house. It took railroad trains until 10 o'clock to-night to get through on account of the trees and telegraph poles that had fallen across the track. The wires but the above information is reliably reported. Cattle were drowned and dozens of grain mills were destroyed.

Additional details add to the horror of the story. The house of the Coffee family was absolutely torn to pieces. There were eleven inmates in the house, seven of whom were killed outright, and the rest badly injured. The storm swept a path of twenty miles long and leveled everything in its way. Altogether twenty-five peresons were injured. The havoc wrought was terrific, and the scenes of suffering terrible in the extreme.' HUNTSVILLE, Ala., March 18 .- A tor-

nado passed through Hazelgreen, a small town in the northern part of Madison countv. at 6 o'clock to-night and destroyed many homes. A telephone operator sent the news to Huntsville, afte vhich communication was cut off. It is not known whether there was any loss of life. Heavy rains all day swelled the creeks and small rivers of Madison county to unusual proportions, and many bridges were swept away. People county will lose much property. The water covered portions of several streets in Huntsville. Trains at the Southern Railway depot plowed through water fifteen inches deep. Small houses on Spring Branch, Pin Hook creek, had to be abandoned.

The storm covered a radius of several

hundred miles, destroying telegraph wires and cutting off communication with a large part of the affected country. Cleburne county, Alabama, seems to have suffered the most severely, the storm there assuming the been injured. At Sellers and Luverne, Ala., much damage is reported and at Rob Roy, Ark., one man was killed and several were badly injured. Dumas, Ark., was practically wiped out of existence and several other towns in the vicinity suffered severely. One person is reported killed at Hickory Flat. cinity suffered heavily, it is not unlikely that many fatalities occurred which have

everything to pieces that lay before it. Telegraph wires and poles are down in every dithe farming districts, but it is not believed that the cyclone struck any town.

Rain and Hallstorm.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., March 18 .- The accompanied by high wind, which for a few quarters of the city are already submerged and several railroad tracks were overflowed. A heavy washout occurred on the Southern road between Ooltewah and Cleveland and all trains will be delayed for some time. Reports from outlying districts are to the ect that the damage was greater than I followed the storm of a few days since. So far no serious washouts have been reported on any roads except the Southern, Much pprehension is felt in all quarters and a ous flood is feared.

Scare at St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, March 18.-For five minutes to-day darkness settled over St. Louis and vicinity, smoke and clouds combining to time, the fear being general that another tornade like that of May 27, 1896, was about to visit the vicinity.

At Hickory Flat. tornado struck this place to-day, doing considerable damage to buildings and other property. The school building and two churches were demolished and twenty-five dwellings blown down or unroofed. Several sons received painful injuries. A family lying west of here lost their dwelling, and young lady, name as yet unknown, was illed. Trees were torn up by the roots,

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twisted off like reeds and all fencing in path of the cyclone leveled to the ground On some farms near here hardly a building was left standing. Doubtless other fatali-ties will be reported, but news from the district swept is meager. The course of the storm was from southwest to northeast, and its track was nearly half a mile wide.

One Killed and Several Injured. LITTLE ROCK, Ark., March 18 .- A torrado passed through portions of Jefferson and Desha counties this afternoon. Telegraph wires were blown down and the details are coming in slowly. At Rob Roy five houses were blown down and one man killed. The town of Dumas, in Desha county, was struck and considerable damage done. Nearly all the houses in the town were either blown down or damaged, and several persons were wounded, but, so far as can be learned, no lives were lost. There are several small towns in the section through which the storm passed, and as yet no news can be received from any of them.

#### BRYAN TO INGERSOLL.

The Colonel Says "Pope Bob" Is Not an Authority on "Back Numbers."

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., March 18 .- Col. William Jennings Bryan delivered his lecture on "Pending Problems" in the large public hall of this city to-night. He was heard by 1,500 people. After the lecture he was entertained at a banquet as the guest of Knoxville Democrats. He responded to a toast, "The Democracy of Jefferson, Jackson and Bryan.'

This morning Colonel Bryan received a telegram from a Cincinnati newspaper asking for an expression in reply to Colonel Ingersoll's criticism that Bryan is a backnumber and has no political future. Colonel Bryan's telegraphic reply was that he did not regard Ingersoll as a capable authority to speak of his eligibility for the back-num- on March 3 in America. The remarks of ber list, nor upon his prospects for the fu-ture, as Colonel Ingersoll does not believe

#### RUMORS FROM GEORGIA

GOSSIP ABOUT THE PRESIDENT'S VISIT TO JEKYL ISLAND.

Mr. McKinley, It Is Said, May Meet T. B. Reed and Become Reconciled-Denied by Senator Hanna.

THOMASVILLE, Ga., March 18.—Thomasville, for the first time since the President's system of America is a wonderful system visit, was rife with political gossip to-day. of empire, but it is also a wonderful pro-Jekyl island, speculation ran, was to be the vision for disintegration. The North may where the future course of the Republican party would be gone over and settled far elect to form a republic with another ideal appearance of Speaker Reed at Jekyl island, the authoritative announcement that President McKinley, Vice President Hobart | this expansion will be deliberate, we shall and Senator Hanna would make their trip | hesitate and ask for evidence that they wish there on Monday and the visit of Judge | the expansion to last." Day, formerly secretary of state, to Thomborne of the Thomasville conference four at Jeykl, both Senator Hanna and Vice and the French papers realize this and President Hobart said that they did not that the idea that the assistance of Gerknow the speaker was there until they saw | many might eventually be counted upon in the papers. The news, it was evident, was a war between France and Great Britain also surprising to others in the President's is preposterous. The Figaro sees in Mr. ment about the house on the subject. As and Germany, while the Temps says: regards Judge Day he is not going to Jeykl and probably will be out of Thomasville on the way home by the time the President re- | William's desire for a rapprochement with

There is, nevertheless, a possibility that I the Jeykl island trip, though not so intended perhaps by its principals, may have an im- | tion for those who fancied that France portant political bearing. It may prove to only had to make overtures in order to bring McKinley and Speaker Reed. That their re- the delusion, have been striving to bring lations are strained and development of about a rupture with Great Britain." party policy in legislation is hindered there-Moore, whose guest Speaker Reed is, and Cape to Cairo railroad. Politically, Mr. Cornelius N. Bliss, who asked President | Rhodes and the Emperor have agreed, but McKinley and party to visit him, are common friends of all parties, personally and politically, and through them harmonious ellowship may again prevail between the island trip has any political outcome it will is quite likely that neither the speaker nor | an early agreement will be arrived at. the President would have been privy to its inception, for knowledge by them of such an ulterior hope by their hosts would have prevented its accomplishment. This view is entirely consistent with the statements of the principal persons who will be there, for they declare absolutely politics cuts no fig-

Judge Day arrived in Thomasville this ofternoon. He said: "You will be safe in saying positively that neither politics nor international affairs are in any way connected with our visit. We are only here to pay our respects to the President and enjoy our-Senator Hanna, when told of the reports

that there was to be a big political powwow at Jeykl island with Speaker Reed and | powers on the subject of Samoa the Mornothers, said: "It is silly business talking | ing Post to-day says: "It is a mistake to about political conferences on this trip. It is for rest, and nothing else. I wish they would let up talking about politics being in sure way to satisfactory settlement. This it. The Vice President had the grip and is is impossible while the Berlin act remains run down and I mean to keep him here as in force and as the present would be a long as I stay. Mr. McKinley's nerves were | most undesirable moment to make a change worn out with the strain. He needed to it may be assumed that things will brace up. The trip to Jeykl island has nothing to do with politics. We could not come down here to talk politics. Yes, I see Speaker Reed is at Jeykl island, but it has

nothing to do with our trip.' How Saturday Was Spent.

THOMASVILLE, Ga., March 18.-A warm, make a pall that rendered lights everywhere | tion, but the wind was from the south, a necessary. There was almost a panic among good cool breeze blowing and clouds hung jail and city hospital inmates for a overhead, so the President found the outthe Hanna home soon after breakfast to circles. It is frankly and avowedly a prosmoke his cigar. He had been up a little | tectionist measure. The secretary of state HICKORY FLAT, Miss., March 18 .- A later than usual, and devoted a part of the for India, Lord George Hamilton, in the evening to the dispatch of business of a House of Commons, declared that the obroutine nature. His advices from the Philippines are all in line, it is stated, with the

S. G. McClendon, the Plant line's representative here, has ordered cars to be in Thomasville by Monday morning to take the President to Jekyl island in case conditions make the trip advisable at that time The party is not yet made up. Mr. and Mrs. McKinley and Senator Hanna will go certainly, and possibly Mrs. Hanna. Vice President and Mrs. Hobart in all probability will be in the party, though they have not decided absolutely to make the trip. The other members of the house party will remain here. If Mr. McKinley leaves Monday Thomasville will see him again Wednesday afternoon, or Thursday morning at the

To-day's programme included a drive and lunch at Elsoma, a beautiful place two miles on the Tallahassee road. Senator Hanna took Mr. Hobart, jr., out to a pigeon shoot at the Country Club, and joined his party at Elsoma at 11 o'clock.

Barber Breaks Ex-Convict's Skull. CINCINNATI, March 18.-Dennis Mc Carthy, an ex-convict, was taken to the City Hospital in a dying condition from a broken skull caused by a blow from a hatchet in the hands of John Bradley, a barber on Lock street. Bradley says Mc-Carthy came into his shop and fired at him and he then used the hatchet.

Politician Killed by a Gambler. CINCINNATI, March 18 .- James Patteron, deputy county recorder and noted as a politician and prize fighter, who was shot Thursday by Joseph Depew, a noted local | golden hammer as a souvenir of our regambler, died last night. A charge of mur- | covery.

der has been entered against Depew. Trackmen's Wages Raised. DUBUQUE, Ia., March 18.-The Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway announced to-day that the wages of trackmen will be raised from \$1.10 to \$1.25 per day. The or-

To Cure the Grip in a Hurry Take two of Haag's Cold and Fever Cap-

der affects 5,000 men.

HOW THE INTERVIEW ON AMERICA WAS RECEIVED IN ENGLAND.

One Paper Fears the North Might Unite with Canada Rather than Start on a Career of Conquest.

CECIL AND EMPEROR WILLIAM

COMMENTS OF THE FRENCH PRESS ON THE PROMOTER'S SCHEMES.

Result of His Visit to Berlin-The Samoan Question-Explosions in French Ammunition Factories.

[Copyright, 1899, by the Associated Press.] LONDON, March 18.—The newspapers this week reprinted from the American papers the interview which a correspondent of the Associated Press had with Mr. Cecil Rhodes on board the steamer Hapsburg on the Mediterranean, and which was mailed from Alexandria, Egypt, on Feb. 11 and printed Mr. Rhodes on America's imperial future have attracted a great deal of attention. The Spectator, however, suggests that the energy of the Americans may not prove persistent enough for the vast task of conquest and occupation which the South African statesman sets before them, adding: "Their system, though it produces men of ability, is probably not favorable to the development of a meteoric genius, and without such a man the work can hardly be done rapidly. Eating up South America like an artichoke, state by state, is a task to overstrain any people, even the Amermight bring to a head the great danger of the United States-the difference in the

Mr. Rhodes's striking personality stood out in bold relief this week against the po-Germany and France-was full of him. His "Frankly, it is impossible to overrate its importance. It is plain proof of Emperor ated. It ought to furnish food for reflecthe reconciliation ground of President | Germany to her feet, and who, acting under

Mr. Rhodes, however, has not arranged a hard and fast agreement respecting the financially their arrangement is hanging financing the German portion of the railroad have not yet been concluded, though Mr. Rhodes has expressed the hope that It further appears that Mr. Rhodes expressed astonishment at the German Emperor's surprising knowledge of the details of the matter, and German official quarters, in their turn, were surprised at Mr. Rhodes's candid allusions to future political projects, including an Anglo-German partition of Portugal's East Africa possessions, which Mr. Rhodes fully expects Portugal will be willing to sell to the two powers within three years. At present Mr. Rhodes is at Amsterdam arranging for the

financial support of the Dutch financiers.

Dealing with the report that an arrange- IT MAY DISSOLVE ON MONDAY, IF NO ment has been arrived at between the three suppose that the whole question is patched up for a while. Just now, when the relations between Germany and Great Britain and the United States are the most friendly in many years, it would never do to run the risk of a sudden rupture by getting matters in order in Samoa. Perhaps the difficulty will solve itself. At any rate the Australian federation should assist in the solution, as not only will the federation increase the interest of Australia in Samoa but in any diplomatic negotiations in th future federated Australia will greatly

strengthen the case for Great Britain. The Indian government bill imposing countervailing duties on bounty fed sugar has caused a flutter in radical condenite ject of the bill was to prevent the indigeneous trade of India from being undermined by subsidized foreign products. This, the Radicals point out, is protection pure and simple and they express fear that it may be the thin edge of the protection wedge and that it may eventually be transplanted to Great Britain with quite as much reason

as in its introduction in India. The Daily Chronicle remarks: "There is a strong impression that this Indian duty is intended as a feeler to an English duty and the whole free trade position is imperiled. Mr. Henry Labouchere, in Truth, calls the bill a "contemptible and iniquitous measure" and says: "The government is going to try an Indian reactionary, protectionist policy which it would not dare to introduce at home. The bill may be the first step towards a general system of protection. which will destroy our commercial su-premacy once for all."

The Pope has just indulged in a joke at the expense of Cardinal Oreglia Di Santo Stefano, who, as cardinal chamberlain of the church and prefect of the congregation of ceremonial, has to make sure that the Pope is dead, by tapping him three times on the forehead with a little silver hammer. When Cardinal Santo Stefano was summoned to the Vatican in hot haste on the first news of the illness of the pontiff he put the ham-mer in his pocket in case it might be needed. The story reached the Pope's ears and on afterwards receiving the cardinal, his Holiness thanked him, commended his foresight and said: "And, as a token of our sincere appreciation of your thoughtful attention, we ask your Eminence to accept this little

A millionaire named Alfred Stern, son of the late Baron Stern, was declared insane yesterday. He is said to be worth \$15,000 -000, and recently created a disturbance at Marlborough House, the town residence of the Prince of Wales, by attempting to force an entrance there under the hallucination that he is the Prince of Wales. Stern has always insisted upon being addressed as noncommis "royal highness," and when strangers approached him he always covered his head was 42,000.

the habit of clapping his hands for half an hour together in "order to summon the ghosts of Wellington and Napoleon."

A silver fox skin was sold at auction yesterday and fetched the record price-\$1,500. As Rudyard Kipling perceived a moral danger to the nation in the great jubilee triumph, so the Spectator this week sees a moral danger for Kipling himself when he comes to know fully the world-wide homage his genius and influence called forth when the news of his seemingly approaching danger was announced. Accordingly the Spectator preaches a homily on "the glare of publicity" and its insidious moral influences.

The fact that the Paris exposition is drawing somewhat near is shown by the | & great increase in the number of foreigners | residing at the French capital. Every foreigner staying over three months in | & France is obliged to report himself to the prefecture of police, and it is announced that during the past few weeks the number of foreigners presenting themselves has risen by leaps and bounds. In the meanwhile the Parisians are disagreeably reminded of the approach of the great show. The many streets under repair have terribly upset traffic, omnibuses have been diverted into side streets, starting points have been altered and the River Seine steamers have run erratically since several of their landing stations have been suppressed, the general result being a great inconvenience to everybody.

DEADLY EXPLOSIONS.

Fatal Accidents in Two French Am-

munition Factories. PARIS, March 18 .- Two explosions occurred to-day at government ammunition factories. At Bourges, in the shell-filling shop, three men were killed and five were | \$ injured. At Marseilles a cartridge exploded, 🛣 blowing up a quantity of gunpowder. Three men were injured and great damage was done to the building.

Carlist Plot Discovered.

MADRID, March 18.-The Imparcial asserts that a Republican plot has been discovered in the province of Seville; that three of the leaders have been arrested, and that Carlist movements have taken place at Porpignan, capital of the French department of the eastern Pyrenees, where arms are said to be accumulating. The Cabinet at to-day's session approved the credit for the payment of the interest

on the Cuban debt. The Pais says it believes it to be certain that the Duke of Arcos, the former Spanish minister to Mexico, will be appointed min-

Exceeded His Instructions.

ROME, March 18 .- In the Senate to-day Chinese government regarding the concession of San-Mun bay, and had, therefore, been recalled. The negotiations between than governing, which, although attractive, Italy and China, he added, are now intrusted to Sir Claude MacDonald, the British minister at Peking, and Italy had undertaken not to use force unless his efforts fail.

> Austria May Try to Enforce Claims. VIENNA, March 18 .- The Politische Correspondenz, discussing the effect of the Hazelton shooting and the relations between Austria and the United States, says that while perhaps the published statement that | \$\sigma\$ no tension exists is true, the Austrian claims are in no way settled by the United States' rejection. The paper then says that the foreign minister intends to press what ne considers to be the just claims advanced in behalf of Austrian subjects, and adds that no decision has yet been reached to | 2 convert the Austrian legation at Washing-

President Loubet Congratulated. PARIS, March 18 .- President Loubet today received the members of the diplomatic corps, who tendered him the congratulations a secret convention between Great Britain of their respective governments. Prime Minister Dupuy, M. Delcasse, minister of foreign affairs, and the members of the President's civil and military household, were among those present. The Austrian ambassador, Count De Wolkenstein, on behalf of his colleagues, felicitated the new President of the French republic, who, in response, briefly thanked the diplomatists for the expressions of friendship for France

> No Operation on the Pope. ROME. March 18.-There is no truth in the report that the Pope was operated on again to-day

A committee consisting of the Pope's chamberlains and other papal functionaries has issued an appeal to the foreign press to send the committee copies of all newspapers which have published anything respecting the Pope's recent illness, the appeal adding that it is "intended to incor- 2" porate them into a volume which will be presented to his Holiness.

Finns Rebuffed by the Czar. ST. PETERSBURG, March 18 .- A Finnish deputation of 400 persons, who recently arrived here to petition the Czar against the Russofication decrees, has been ordered to return home immediately, the Czar refusing to receive its members.

QUORUM IS PRESENT.

Public Opinion Too Strong for the

Brigadiers-Cuban Soldiers Proba-

bly Not So Numerous as Reported.

HAVANA, March 18 .- The Cuban Military Assembly meets again on Monday and it is reported that if there is no quorum, which is probable, it will dissolve of its own accord, public opinion having been too strong. General Betancourt has resigned from the

The Two-hundred-and-second New York Volunteers arrived here this morning from Guanajay and spent the day in shopping They embarked on the transport Thomas to-night on their return to the United

Six passenger steamers cleared from this port to-day. They will take out about 500 Americans, inaugurating a general exodus of persons who are leaving in order to reach American ports before the quarantine regulations go into effect.

Dr. Powers, of the American Church Missionary Society for Episcopal Purposes, is asylums in Matanzas and Havana provinces. Dr. Powers believes that Cuba is the greatest field in the world for Protestant

The \$3,000,000 alloted by the United States government for the payment of Cuban troops upon their disbandment, has been transferred from the United States transport Meade to the transport Burnside, where it is guarded by a detachment of thirty men. The money will remain on the Burnside until arrangements have been made for landing and storing it. The regulars from Havana to Matanzas and there will take on board the Twelfth New York Regiment which she will carry home. The United States Cruiser Chicago which has been ordered to proceed to meet the American liner Paris and take on board John Sherman, whom she is to convey to the United States, sailed this morning for San Juan de Puerto Rico. Senor Munoz Rivera, formerly secretary of state in the Porto Rican Cabinet, arrived here this morning en route for the United States. He will visit Governor Gen-

General Gomez later, after which he wil proceed for Washington. Gen. Adna V. R. Chaffee, the governor general's chief of staff, is suffering from ter-tiary malaria and is confined to his bed. Postmaster General Charles Emory Smith arrived here this morning. It is expected that when the payment of the Cuban troops is actually made, it will

eral Brooke to-morrow and will wait upon

be found that the number of privates and noncommissioned officers entitled to pay will be less than half the recent estimate, which The Tillman tourist party arrived on the

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Monday night. NO DANGER IN PORTO RICO. Rumors of a Possible Uprising of Na-

tives Without Foundation.

SAN JUAN DE PORTO RICO, Merch 18 .-The reports contained in newspapers just received here alleging that danger exists of an uprising of the natives are regarded with astonishment and are absolutely without foundation in fact. The only disturbances that have occurrred here have been mere local fights between the American volun-

teers and the lower class of natives. The correspondent of the Associated Press, who has just returned from an extended trip through the island, says he found only occasional evidences of dissatisfaction resulting from brawls and local politics, and American officers now here ridicule the idea of an uprising of the natives, who, they say, are without weapons and are entirely lacking in organization. The colonial commission appointed by President McKinley will hear the testimony presented, which, it is expected, will be contradictory; and, after consideration, will advise the authorities

The Americans seek the establishment of Federal Court, and a number of aspirants for judgeships have requested Governor General Henry to recommend them for appointment. General Henry, however, refused their request. The commission has refused to make pubic the nature of its discussions. The members will leave shortly for the western part of the island

special commissioner in Porto Rico, who

has been making a tour of the island, will

mainly upon political questions.

leave to-morrow on the transport Buford for the United States. WEDDED TO FILTH. Cubans Vigorously Opposed to Amer-

Henry K. Carroll, United States

ican Sanitary Methods. ATLANTA, Ga., March 18 .- Dr. John Morgan Williams, of Louisville, Ky., member of the hospital staff of the Third Kentucky, now stationed at Matanzas, Cuba, is en route home. Dr. Williams recently established three hospitals at Matanzas, and was one of a board of physicians to look after the sanitary matters of that city. "Everywhere among the natives," said Dr. Williams, "I encountered the greatest obstinacy and opposition to the advanced methods of the Americans from the penniless peasant to the wealthy nobleman. They regard scientific plumbing as a foolish fad of the Americans. They seem positively wedded to filth. I'm afraid that t will take a long time to get them to take the precautionary measures to prevent contagious diseases. The richer families of Matanzas, which is a town of 80,000 in-habitants, keep their horses and carriages under the same roof in the houses in which they sleep. In many cases the horse is stabled in the front room and can be plainAs much difference as there is between the

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WASHINGTON, March 18 .- 1 , letters from General Gomez, dated at Bayana on the 6th and 8th instant, have been received by Gonzales de Quesada, in which the general urges that the Cuban Assembly, as well as the army, should dissolve, leaving the Cuban people free to begin the formation

The letters were written before the Assembly deposed Gomez, but he states that already he is being hampered by the Assembly. He says: "The essential thing is the disbanding of the army, for, while the Cu-bans remain in arms, supported by charity, their situation is sad for the men who have fought well and long for their country's appeared before Federal Judge Clayton.

may return to work, confidence and public peace may be renewed capital come from its hiding places and seek investment. Both the army and the Assembly should dissolve. Then the people would be free to organize and take up the solving of its final problem, he constitution of its government." Gen. Gomez speaks of two satisfactory confernces with General Brooke, Senor Quesada has received a dispatch from the mayor of Matanzas, saying: "The municipality of Matanzas protests against the action of the Assembly and renews to you its esteem.'

Walla Tonaka to Be Retried.

SOUTH M'ALESTER, I. T., March 18 .-Walla Tonaka, or William Going, the Choctaw Indian convicted of murder in the In-